



Graduate School of Public Health

University of Pittsburgh

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frontispiece . . .

This 8-story building will give the Graduate School of Public Health, University of Pittsburgh, its first permanent home since its founding in 1948. The school was established by the A. W. Mellon Educational and Charitable Trust. Dr. Thomas Parran, former Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, is dean.

Preliminary plans for the structure were approved in October 1954. They include two unique features, an "anechoic" chamber and a cobalt room.

In the soundproofed anechoic chamber physicists will be able to conduct measurements of sound, hearing, and noise without troublesome interference from reflections or echoes which would otherwise invalidate measurements.

The cobalt room will provide a protected area for storage of radioactive cobalt. The

material is necessary for use in instruments which determine leakage from medicine cobalt bombs now in use in the Pittsburgh district.

The new building will be located directly below Pitt Stadium and across from Children's Hospital. It will have an auditorium capable of seating 282.

The first two floors will house administrative offices, libraries, locker rooms, lounges, and cafeteria facilities. Remaining floors will include classrooms, laboratories, and offices for the departments of biochemistry and nutrition, biostatistics, epidemiology and microbiology, occupational health, and public health practice.

The university is also constructing a new building for its School of Health Professions (medicine, dentistry, nursing, and pharmacy).

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